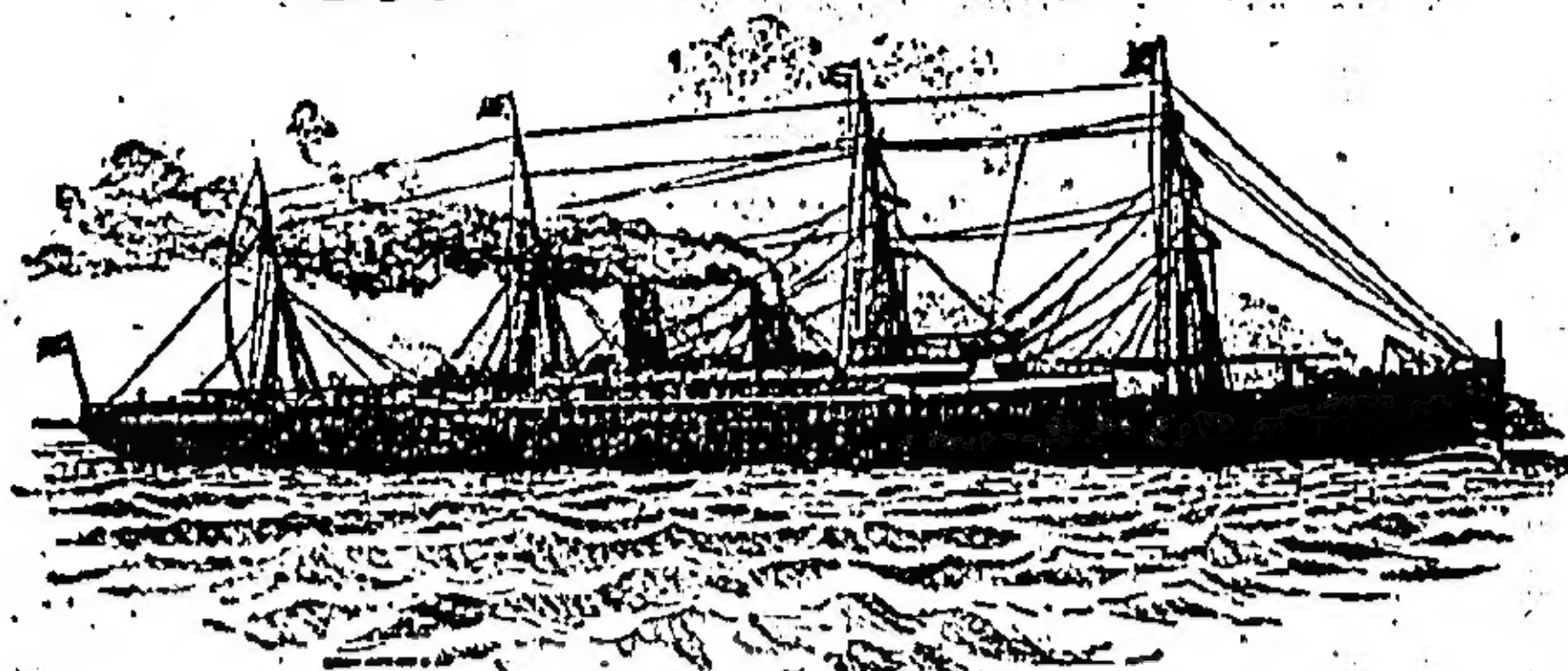


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"NIPPON MARU"	TUESDAY, 16th June, at Noon.
"WEDNESDAY"	WEDNESDAY, 24th June, at Noon.
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"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 ".....	WEDNESDAY, 15th July.
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(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

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Forck	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.)	
STRASBURG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	16th June. Freight and Passengers.
Maden	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	
SUEVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	30th June. Freight.
Forck	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.)	
NURNBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	14th July. Freight.
Forck	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	
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Hongkong, 11th May, 1903.

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Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF
HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Goods of EDMUND
LOUIS COMAR, late of the
RIZIERIE YEE CHEONG
CHOLON IN THE FRENCH
COLONY OF SAIGON, COCHIN
CHINA, ENGINEER, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that His Honour the Chief Justice has, in virtue of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 3 of 1897, made an Order limiting to the 10th day of October, 1903, as the time for Creditors to send in their Claims against the Estate of EDMUND LOUIS COMAR, late of the RIZIERIE YEE CHEONG, Cholon, in the French Colony of Saigon, Cochinchina, Engineer, who died on the 10th day of February, 1903, at the Peak Hospital, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and Probate of whose Will was granted by the Supreme Court of Hongkong in its Probate Jurisdiction on the 19th day of March, 1903, to HERBERT JOHNSON GEDOS, of Victoria aforesaid, Solicitor, one of the Executors named in the Will of the said EDMUND LOUIS COMAR.

NOTICE is also given that all such Claims are to be sent in, in writing to the Undersigned prior to the said 10th day of October, 1903, or no Notice will be taken of them.

All persons indebted to the above Estate are requested to make immediate Payment to the Undersigned.

Dated the 14th day of April, 1903.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,

8, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong,
[462e] Solicitors for the said Executor.



NOTICE.

IT is proposed to hold a MEETING of

PROPERTY OWNERS in the SANITARY

BOARD ROOM, on MONDAY, May 18th, at 3 P.M., for the purpose of considering Sections 46 and 154 of Ordinance 1 of 1903.

By Order,
G. A. WOODCOCK,
Secretary.

Sanitary Board Room,
Hongkong, 9th May, 1903. [572e

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL

MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

in the above Company will be held at the

COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road,

at NOON, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th MAY,

for the purpose of receiving the Report of the

Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to

30th April, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Comp

will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 24

May, both Days inclusive.

R. J. MACGOWAN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1903. [568a

HONGKONG STEAM WATER BOAT

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of 5% for the

Half-year from 1st October, 1902, to 31st

March, 1903, has been declared.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be issued

on and after the 16th instant.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 16th

instant, both Days inclusive.

By Order,
CHAD. KEW,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1903. [567e

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Hongkong, 1st May, 1903. [543e

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1903. [19

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AN INTERESTING INTERVIEW.

Mr. Na Tung, Vice-Minister of Finance in China, and Vice-Envoy to the Osaka Exhibition, was interviewed by a representative of the *Chun* on board the *Nagato Maru* when the latter vessel arrived at Moji on the 27th ult.

"China," he said, "has foreign debts amounting to 600,000,000 taels, and she also has to pay to the Powers an indemnity of 470,000,000 taels. But, owing to the poor condition of the National treasury, the payment of these debts would be difficult unless the commerce and industry of the nation are fostered and more money is thus obtained for the treasury. There are various ways of fostering commerce and industry, but I may mention one of the most urgent and important steps to be taken, and that is to facilitate exchange by unifying our currency system and establishing banks in various parts of the country. In a general way I may say that it is in; on the one hand, to find new sources of revenue for the Government and on the other to provide the people with facilities for increasing their wealth."

"The object of our present visit to Japan is not only to see the Osaka Exhibition, but also to investigate your gold standard system, the organization of your banks and other taxes with a view to the collection of necessary material in case China wishes to adopt similar institutions in the future."

"The Chinese request that the foreign Powers consent to receive payment of the indemnity in silver instead of in gold has been rejected by the Powers, but the Peking Government has not yet taken any definite step toward the solution of the question. Neither has the proposal for the collection of the Customs duties in gold been decided either way."

"As to the evacuation of Manchuria, the Chinese Government has negotiated with the St. Petersburg Government as well as with the Russian representative at Peking, insisting on the speedy withdrawal of their troops from the above territory and has obtained an answer to the effect that Russia will fulfil, without failure, her promise contained in the existing Manchuria convention. Therefore it may be expected that the Northern Power will evacuate Manchuria after all."

"I cannot of course say whether or not some fresh questions may arise on the subject of the evacuation. But as to the seven items contained in the alleged demand she is now pressing on China, none of them seems to be acceptable to the Peking Government."

Mr. Na Tung further stated that with regard to the working by Russia of the mines lying within a distance of 30 Chinese miles of the Manchurian railway, negotiations have already been concluded between the two countries.—*Japan Times*.

A BRUSH WITH SALT SMUGGLERS.

A patrol of a dozen armed salt excisemen while in the vicinity of Woosung came across a band of salt smugglers entering a couple of boatsloads of salt on the 11th instant, with the result that the excisemen attempted to capture the salt and its escort. The inhabitants of the villages near by sympathized, as is the case the world over, with the smugglers and came out in large numbers to assist in repelling the officers of the salt gabelle. A smart skirmish ensued and some of the villagers were wounded, which so enraged the latter that they fell on the soldiers and by mere force of numbers overpowered the party and allowed the smugglers and their cargo to escape the place. Seven excisemen were captured, says the *M. C. D. News*, the other five having thrown away their arms and fled the scene as soon as they saw that matters had become serious. The captive were eventually released, but not before they had been stripped of their uniforms, while five breech-loading rifles and their accompaniment of cartridges, five flintlock pistols and a quantity of slugs and coarse gunpowder and three swords became the spoil of the villagers and smugglers.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

AN AUCTION will be held at CHEFOO, on FRIDAY, the 15th day of May, at NOON, of the S.S. "VICTORIA," as she lies on BAMBOO ISLAND, GULF OF PECHILI. For particulars, apply to CURTIS BROS., Chefoo, [5506]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 18th day of May, 1903, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 21 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sub-Section	LOCALITY.	Boundary Measurements.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Perches.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	Adjoining Island Lot No. 1559, Conduit Road.	15 1/2 f. 11 1/2 f. 11 1/2 f. 11 1/2 f.	145 3/4	3000 0	550

Hongkong, 9th May, 1903. [5596]

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept first class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co., Hongkong, 28th May, 1903. [5597]

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Consignees.

FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, & PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE N.D.L. Steamship

"STRASSBURG." Captain Madsen, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th instant, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office, Hongkong, 7th May, 1903. [5646]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"TIEN-TSIN."

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 13th instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent, Hongkong, 7th May, 1903. [4]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"VALETTA."

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—From London, &c., ex S.S. *Rome*.

From Calcutta, ex S.S. *Parramatta*.

From Persian Gulf, ex B.I.S.N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Goods not cleared by the 13th May, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent, Hongkong, 8th May, 1903. [4]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"KOREA."

are hereby notified that their Goods are at their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or landed into our Godowns Nos. 1 and 2, at Kennedy Town, (Marine Lot 243), and delivery may be had either from Lighters or from our Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of Lading.

Goods remaining unclaimed after the 18th instant will be subject to rent.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 28th instant or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent, Hongkong, 11th May, 1903. [1]

Intimations.

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1902. [13992]

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Hongkong, 28th November, 1902. [13993]

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MAY 12, 1903.

THE KWANGSI FAMINE.

Harrowing details of the distress prevailing in the famine-stricken districts of Kwangsi have reached us from both official and private sources. The news which continue to arrive and which we have obtained from Mr. C. Clementi, an official almoner deputed, on behalf of the Government of Hongkong, to investigate the condition of distress by personal inspection of the district along the West River, are of a nature which shows that the people of Kwangsi are in a truly pitiable condition, and to render succour to whom appeals cannot be made in vain. In connection with the present state of affairs in the neighbouring province, a well-informed Chinese correspondent suggests the consideration of the question of assistance being rendered the farmers to retain their plough cattle in the country as a means of alleviating future distress once the present sufferings are distanced by assistance from abroad. We place the subject before the local Relief Committee in precisely the form that was communicated to us, feeling convinced that it will commend itself to consideration in the proper quarters. Our correspondent states, that by a recent proclamation of the Chinese authorities the exportation of buffaloes and oxen from Kwangsi is prohibited, and he believed, the Imperial Maritime Customs officials were informed of the prohibition, and advised to take measures to give effect to it accordingly. A later notification exempted the export of cattle intended for consumption, but the order restricting the disposal of buffaloes remained effective; inasmuch as the Chinese authorities rightly regard the retention of the latter on the provincial farms as a safeguard for the labourers in whose interest animals for ploughing the fields must be had in sufficient quantity when better times follow the present period of distress. The malcontents in the province are ready purchasers of any animal offered for sale by the tillers of the soil, as with little difficulty they succeed in disposing of their stock at remunerative prices. In our correspondent's opinion help can be given the farmers by the British authorities in Hongkong by proclaiming that importation of buffaloes into the Colony for re-export be prohibited, providing that, after personal investigation by Mr. Clementi on the spot, he report that such a measure is advisable in the interest of the people and should be adopted for their benefit. It is stated that, if importation into the Colony be prohibited, the means of disposal in the interior will not be so easy of accomplishment. At present, in spite of the provincial prohibition, cattle dealers find it to their advantage to chance running the gauntlet and surreptitiously drive the cattle overland across the Chinese boundaries into British territory and so bring them across to Kowloon where the cattle find a ready market. Good will, it is expected, not only extend to the farmers in the season of plenty as the forthcoming harvests happily promise to be and when the buffaloes will be most needed, but the measure is calculated to stop the rebels from taking away the animals from the country when once they find there is no market for them in the adjacent territory. It has also been ascertained that a few hundred buffaloes were collected in a certain locality where they have been detained and are watched by the Chinese authorities who foresee impending trouble once the animals are permitted to wander away from official keeping.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE English Mail of the 11th April was delivered in London on the 9th inst.

Watch C. E. LeMunyon's announcement in this paper.—*Adv.*

AN Imperial Decree has been issued appointing 'Chang En' (Manchu) Superintendent of native Customs at Canton.

CAPTAIN Frigate of the C.M.S.N. Co.'s steamer *Kiangnan* has left for home via the Siberian route on a well earned holiday after many years in China.

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Keep track of C. E. LeMunyon's locals.—*Adv.*

THE *Velasco*, the second of the Spanish warships sunk at Cavite in the American war, has been raised, and evidence is forthcoming showing that she was scuttled by her crew.

THE London newspapers publish congratulatory articles concerning the Russian announcement of withdrawal from Shingking and recognise the reaffirmation of the Manchurian Convention.

GENERAL Kodama Governor General of Formosa, reports to the Tokyo Government, under date the 27th of April, that 421 cases of plague with 332 deaths have occurred in the Island from the beginning of this year.

WE are informed that, in connection with the recent fire at No. 127, Connaught Road, the police are instituting further investigations. The police are instituting further investigations.

THE Marconigraph apparatus is now being installed both at Miye and at Keelung. The work is expected to be finished by the end of June next. Wireless telegraphic communication between Formosa and Kyushu may therefore be available early in July next.

It is reported that negotiations are proceeding for the transfer of the steamer *Raiak*, which has just been docked at Tanjong Pagar, from its owner Mr. A. Clouet, to a well-known Singapore Chinese firm; and that she is intended for plying in those waters.

AT the instance of an Indian policeman, J. Lameake, an engineer, was charged before Mr. J. H. Kemp this morning with unlawfully stopping him in the execution of his duty and with attempting to rescue another seaman from custody. Mr. Kemp imposed a fine of \$15 or 3 weeks.

A LONDON cable, dated 30th ult., says there has been a volcanic eruption in the Turtle Mountains at or near Frank Station in Alberta, on the Canadian Pacific Railway. Seventy-five people were killed and eighty-three families were entombed. The railway is covered with lava. The eruption continues.

THE Australian postal department notifies the issue of a postage stamp of the value of 2s 6d, for sale within the State of New South Wales. It represents the Australian lyre bird in upright oval, occupying the centre of stamp, the oval encircled at top by the words, "New South Wales Postage." In colour, the stamp is dark green.

At the recent fire at No. 127, Connaught Road, a returned Australian Chinese and his family consisting of his wife and four children, lost clothing and jewelry to the extent of \$5,000. The unfortunate man had been toiling in Australia for the last 14 years, and managed after hard work to accumulate the above mentioned sum. He had only landed the day previous, and his loss was not covered by insurance.

BEFORE Mr. J. B. Kemp this morning Indian Police Sergeant Kalla Singh was charged by Lu To, a shop keeper at Lamma Island, that on 8th February, accused entered his house at Lamma Island and after arresting him for no reason, took from his person the sum of \$8.10. After this act he was released. Defendant pleaded not guilty. The case was adjourned to Wednesday, 20th inst., at 2.15 p.m.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—

H. E. Pollock, Esq., K.C. \$25
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It has been decided that the General Officer Commanding the Forces in China and the General Officer Commanding at Hongkong shall in future be officially designated the General Officer Commanding the Troops in North China and the General Officer Commanding the troops, South China. The North China Command will include all Stations occupied by the troops of the late expeditionary force, Peking and Weihaiwei, and the South China Command will include the colony and territory of Hongkong.

Keep your eyes open for C. E. LeMunyon's locals.—*Adv.*

A CABLE to the *New York Herald* from London dated 9th ult., says: "News that the British Admiralty has suppressed the effect reaching the English people to the effect that during the recent manœuvres of the Mediterranean fleet a repetition of the disaster by which the *Victoria* was damaged and sunk by the *Coleridge*, with a terrible loss of life, was narrowly averted. The *Bulwark*, Sir Compton Domville's flagship, collided with the *Formidable*. The *Formidable* was seriously damaged, and the cost of docking and repairing the ship is stated to be \$350,000. Directly after the collision notice was placed upon the lower deck of the commander-in-chief's flagship, followed by similar intimations on the *Formidable*, forbidding all on board to communicate with any local press. The members of the crew were further ordered not to allude to the collision in letters to England. Both the *Bulwark* and *Formidable* are the latest type of British battleships, each costing more than \$500,000."

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C. E. LeMunyon has an announcement to make to you very shortly; watch for it.—*Adv.*

WHILST the majority of Hongkongites were wrapped up in the arms of Morpheus, a huge flock of birds, presumably quails or storks, passed over the island early this morning. An observer informs us that in the distance the flock appeared to be a fast moving black cloud. On their passage, they emitted a peculiar sound, not unlike that given forth by quails. They were probably bound north.

THE Parisian newspaper *Petit Bleu* alleges that Lieutenant Wessel Helmuth, who has been arrested at San Remo, Italy, at the instance of the German Government, for selling plans of German fortifications in France, before the trial of Captain Dreyfus at Rennes sold to France the Austrian official list of international spies, and that he added the name of Captain Dreyfus to the list. This contributed to the latter's second condemnation.

WHILST a poor inoffensive Celestial was peacefully fishing by means of a net at Bow-nington Canal late last evening, he suddenly felt a weight in the net and promptly pulled it up. Judge of his surprise when on bringing the net to the surface he found a wriggling mass endeavouring to get out of the net. On closer examination, he saw that the cause of the weight was a huge water snake measuring over five feet long. A passer-by paid him \$1 for his haul.

THE London correspondent of the *Manchester Dispatch* understands that the Colonial Secretary has recently given the American Ambassador to understand that he intends to visit the United States in the autumn. The conversation was quite informal, but Mr. Choate is understood to have expressed the confident belief that if Mr. Chamberlain went to America he would be accorded a most enthusiastic welcome. Mr. Chamberlain, nevertheless, desires that if he be able to go to the United States his visit may be regarded in the light of a purely domestic affair.

ACCORDING to the Siam Observer the dairymen of Bangkok have many grievances and have petitioned the Government for a redress of same. Their grievances are given as follows:— (1) Insufficient for the number of cattle and the required sheds, etc., (2) Too heavy rent, (3) Want of roadways for the necessary carts, and (4) The absence of compensation for the heavy expenses of enforced removal; and their requests are: (1) An additional 600 rat of land to be reserved, (2) A charge per head on milch cows only, calculated to return a rent equal to the rent paid for paddy land in the district, (3) The making forthwith of the necessary roadways, and (4) A grant in aid of the expenses of removal.

THE best sailing vessel flying the American flag is the steel four-master *Atlas*, which arrived at Baltimore a few weeks ago after a run of 15,300 miles from Hongkong in ninety-two days. The *Atlas* averaged 172 miles a day and 73 knots an hour. Her best day's run was 372 miles, at the rate of 124 knots an hour. This breaks all authentic records, except that of the barque *Amy Turner*, which made the run from Hongkong to the Virginia coast in eighty-seven days. The *Atlas* beat out of sight the British barque *Kelak*, which cleared for New York eleven days ahead of the *Atlas*. The English captain is said to have backed the sailing qualities of his vessel, but at the time the *Atlas* reached Baltimore the *Kelak* had not arrived in New York.

Watch for C. E. LeMunyon's locals in this paper in a few days.—*Adv.*

DEATH OF MR. E. T. DE SOUZA.

There passed away early yesterday morning at the Government Civil Hospital Mr. E. T. de Souza, reception room officer of the Victoria Gaol Department. Deceased, who has been in the service for over fifteen years, was much respected by all his brother officers, and although his demise was expected owing to an abscess in the liver from which he was suffering for some time, his death was rather sudden. He had only a few more months to complete his time when a well-earned pension was due to him. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon and was largely attended by all the staff of the gaol department, both Europeans and Indians, Mr. R. G. Creagh, the superintendent of the gaol, being also present. The late Mr. De Souza leaves a widow and a child to mourn his loss.

ALLEGED MURDER.

From police reports we learn that, late on Sunday night, while a native was crossing the corner of the Government Wanchai Store, leading from Praya East, he knocked against what appeared to be a dead body. Information was at once conveyed to No. 2 Police Station, and Inspector Collet and a party of police proceeded to the scene, and found, to their amazement, that the body was that of a woman in the last stages of life. A terrible wound in the abdomen, where the bowels protruded and other injuries, inflicted by a sharp weapon were found on other parts of the body, especially in the arms and the lower limbs. An ambulance was immediately sent for, but before the hospital was reached, the poor woman expired. It is a clear case of attempted murder, and although the police are instituting inquiries no clue has yet been effected.

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ACTION FOR SLANDER.

A case of considerable local interest was commenced at the Supreme Court this morning when Francisco d'Assis Gomes brought an action against Antonio Simplicio Gomes, junior, for damages in respect of slander, alleged to have been uttered at the Club Lusitano on the evening of the 17th September last. The Acting Chief Justice, the Hon. Sir H. Spencer Berkeley, presided on the bench, and the case was tried by a special jury. The Hon. E. H. Sharp, K.C., (instructed by Mr. H. W. Looker, of Messrs. Deacon and Hastings), appeared on behalf of the plaintiff, and Mr. M. W. Slade (instructed by Mr. E. A. Bonnar, of Messrs. Deacons and Bowley) appeared for the defendant.

Addressing his Lordship, Mr. Slade said that before the jury was called he would draw attention to a paragraph appearing in the *China Mail* last evening stating that "at eleven o'clock to-morrow, before His Honour Sir H. S. Berkeley, Acting Chief Justice, and a special jury, a slander case will be tried in the Supreme Court. The parties are Francisco d'Assis Gomes (plaintiff) and Antonio Simplicio Gomes, junior (defendant); the plaintiff is represented by Messrs. Deacon and Hastings and defendant by Messrs. Deacons and Bowley. The amount of claim is \$200,000, and the defendant has paid the sum of \$200 into Court." As his Lordship probably knew there was a very wise measure providing that where a case was to be tried by a jury no announcement should be made until after the verdict is given, either of the fact that money had been paid into Court or of the amount paid in. He had no doubt that in the present instance the paper was absolutely bona fide in making the statement, but, of course, it was perfectly clear that the act of payment into Court should not be divulged, and he thought his Lordship's attention should be drawn to the fact. He referred to section 160 of the Code of Civil Procedure which provided that "where a cause or matter is tried by the Court with a jury no communication to the jury shall be made, until after the verdict has been given, either of the fact that money has been paid into Court or of the amount paid in. The jury shall be required to find the amount of the debt given, either of the fact that money has been paid into Court or of the amount paid in. The jury shall be required to find the amount of the debt or damages, as the case may be, without reference to any payment into Court."

His Lordship thought the rule applied to practitioners, and did not mean editors and publishers of newspapers.

Mr. Slade, however, opined that if there was such a rule surely it was not proper for a paper to absolutely nullify it.

His Lordship explained that the rule meant that Counsel in opening the case should not inform the jury of the fact that money had been paid into Court. The intention, no doubt, was that the jury should not in any way be biased by the knowledge that the defendant paid money into Court. He agreed that the principle should apply to preventing a newspaper from making a statement which might be read by the jury in common with anybody else, and which might influence them. Under the circumstances he felt sure that the newspaper editor and publisher had no knowledge of the rule.

Mr. Slade:—I am quite sure, my Lord, it was absolutely bona fide. His Lordship thought it would be sufficient if he said from the Bench that he hoped for the future where a jury is impanelled in a case in which damages were claimed that newspapers would refrain from publishing any fact which might in any way influence one or other of the jury. He was quite sure from the tone and wording of the papers of the Colony that they would appreciate that request and act upon it. He thanked Mr. Slade for bringing the matter forward.

The following special jury was then sworn:—Messrs. E. A. Hewitt, G. L. Tomlin, W. H. F. Davis, H. W. Bird, W. H. Wickham, W. S. Harrison, and G. W. G. Harding.

Mr. J. N. Grossmann was called upon to serve, but he explained that he was acting secretary of the steamship company of which the plaintiff was a director, and asked whether he would be allowed to sit. His Lordship thought he had better not.

Mr. Sharp proceeded to address the jury and read the statement of claim showing that Francisco d'Assis Gomes, the plaintiff, was a gentleman residing at 43, Caine Road, and Antonio Simplicio Gomes, junior, the defendant, was a mercantile clerk residing at Woodlands Terrace, Castle Road. It stated that on the 17th September, at the Club Lusitano, the defendant falsely and maliciously in the hearing of several bystanders spoke and published of the plaintiff the words following, that is to say, "He (meaning the plaintiff's son, Jose Maria Gomes) is the son of a thief, and I can prove that his father robbed my father of \$200,000." In consequence of the said slander the plaintiff had suffered damage and had been injured in his credit and reputation. The plaintiff claimed \$200,000 damages. Proceeding, Counsel observed that the question the jury would find themselves ultimately obliged to consider would be the defendant's intention in uttering the words, and the interpretation to be placed upon them. The plaintiff might fairly press his claim for very heavy damages because the reference of the defendant was of a very serious character. But his desire was merely to stop the slander, which had been much repeated, and he asked for damages substantial enough to attain that end. He would not ask for full damages, still less for vindictive damages, and there was no desire on his part to put money in his pocket out of the case, and plaintiff would tell them that, as a matter of fact, whatever amount the jury awarded him he would hand over to some charity. But it was essential to him to stop the slander, which had injured him very seriously in his business, and affected his reputation among his relatives. As no doubt most of the jury was aware the plaintiff was the senior partner in the firm of Messrs. Brandao & Co. and had been with them since the foundation of the firm. He was also a director of the steamboat company and of several other concerns. Doubtless, he was well-known to most of the jury, and Counsel was quite sure, he was favourably known, amongst the Portuguese community of Hongkong he held a high standing and had practically always occupied a position of trust in connection with a great many persons.

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His Lordship thought there was no need to enter into details at that stage as they could be furnished in evidence.

Mr. Sharp intimated his desire to show the degree of injury that the plaintiff would be likely to suffer in the matter, and then proceeded to outline the facts of the case as given in the evidence subsequently brought before the Court, and concluded by remarking that the sole question he would put to the jury was, the defendant's intention in uttering the words in question. That, he submitted, was important in aggravation of damages and the amount of damages. He proceeded to read the statement of defence showing that Mr. Gomes, junior, brought into Court \$200 and he considered it was sufficient to satisfy plaintiff's claim in the action. It set forth that "the defendant uttered the words complained of when he was drunk and in the course of a violent quarrel with the plaintiff's son, Jose Maria Gomes," and that during the quarrel J. M. Gomes made use of offensive expressions with regard to the defendant, and, amongst other things, called him a beachcomber, and made also some offensive allusions to the defendant's father. The defendant replied that it was better to be a beachcomber than the son of a thief. Defendant's recollection of what was said was very vague, and he had no recollection of having uttered the words complained of, but he did not dispute that he did so. The defence also stated that the defendant was drunk and in a violent passion was obvious to everyone present. Everyone who heard what he said was fully aware that it was not spoken deliberately, and that he did not seriously mean to make any charge against the plaintiff. He was talking wildly in consequence of drink and passion. Defendant further asserted there were no foundations for any such statements, and he exceedingly regretted that he should have uttered the words complained of, and unreservedly apologised for the abusive language which he uttered without reason while under the influence of liquor and of anger against the plaintiff's son.

month, but he was married and had one child. During the evening in question witness said nothing rude or the least ungentlemanly, and he was requested to resign from the Club in consequence of the quarrel.

Do you deny having called him a son of a—?—Yes.

Do you deny having called him a nigger?—Yes.

Did you say either to him or to Mr. Gutierrez words to this effect, "Don't mind him. I don't care a— for him, or Dr. Gomes?"—I don't remember saying these things to him.

Were you drunk, by the by?—No.

Quite sobriety?—Yes.

Can you remember anything you said?—I said something about his shares in the Club being given him by his father, and that my shares were my own.

Continuing, witness said that during the quarrel the defendant came at him with his fist.

By Mr. Slade:—The defendant was about 27 or 28 years of age.

Augusto Jose Gomes, brother of the plaintiff, and in partnership with him in Brandao & Co., deposed that as a result of the slander the plaintiff had been mentally worried and depressed in spirit which incapacitated him from attending to his work.

By Mr. Slade:—Plaintiff did not suffer from gout (laughter).

Francisco de Assis Gomes, plaintiff, said he started the firm 42 years ago, and held and still holds over 20 per cent. of the shares, which placed him in a position of trust. There had been family quarrels between himself and Dr. Gomes with regard to money matters. He did not bear the slanderous words uttered, but had suffered a great deal in his mind on account of the statement. He could not attend to his work for about eight months, and had consequently suffered in the business. His friends appeared to distrust him, and that had injured him in his business.

By Mr. Slade:—He was 65 years of age, and had been well and honourably known since 1857, when he came to the Colony. He formerly wanted an apology from the defendant and his father, and the son offered to sign one in any form witness thought fit to draft. He wanted the whole Colony to know he was an honest man.

Mr. Sharp then addressed the jury, observing there was absolutely no defence. The slander was clear and was charged by the plaintiff with being malicious and not without aim or point in its motive. He drew attention to the fact that the points of the statement of defence had not been borne out by evidence, and proceeded to deal with the question of damages pointing out that the plaintiff had expressed his willingness to give such in a charitable fund. Nevertheless he desired the jury to mark their sense of the slander by awarding damages as they thought would be effective in putting a stop to the circulation of such statements.

Mr. Slade addressed the jury, and said that plaintiff came to the Court for the purpose of making what he could out of the poor unfortunate Port queue bank clerk. It was disgusting, he said. The best method of preventing the circulation of the slander was to have been for plaintiff to have accepted the offer of the defendant to apologise in any form he might wish. If that had been done nothing more would have been heard of the matter.

His Lordship then summed up, and asked the jury to consider whether they thought the slanderous words were uttered intentionally and deliberately and not as a part of any continuing altercation. If so they must find for the plaintiff and award him such damages as they thought under the circumstances he ought to receive. If, on the other hand, they thought they were uttered unintentionally and as part of previous altercation they must find for the defendant. Regarding the question of payment into Court he asked the jury to take no notice of the statement appearing in the paper regarding the \$500, and said they were not bound by the naming of any sum. They could give ten cents damage if they chose, or they could make it \$20,000.

The jury retired to consider their verdict a few minutes before four, and upon returning into Court fifteen minutes later gave a unanimous verdict for the plaintiff for \$7,000 with costs.

Mr. Slade submitted, with regard to the question of costs, that it was not a case for a special jury.

His Lordship:—Any case in which damages to the extent of \$500 are given is certainly one to go to a special jury.

The Court adjourned sine die.

THE PLAGUE.

During the twenty-four hours ended at noon to-day 16 further cases of bubonic plague, making 580 since January 1st, were reported. All the cases were fatal.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

Indian (Lightning) to-morrow.

French (Oceanic) 17th inst.

Canadian (Atlantic) 19th inst.

American (Tongkang Maru) 18th inst.

German (Stuttgart) 19th inst.

Indian (Kunians) 22nd inst.

Canadian (Empress of China) 25th inst.

The A. L. S. N. Co.'s s.s. China left Mof, for this port yesterday, 11th inst.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Canton left Singapore for this port 12th inst., at 8 a.m.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. Oceanic with the next French Mail will leave Saigon to-morrow, 13th inst., at 3 p.m., for this port.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Wakam Maru (European Line) left Shanghai for this port, 11th inst., at 8 p.m., and is expected to arrive 14th inst.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Tartar arrived at Nagasaki 8.30 a.m., 11th inst., and left 5 p.m., same day for Kobe where she is due at 6 a.m., 13th inst.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Altan arrived at Kobe 5.30 a.m., 11th inst., and left again at 7 p.m., same day via Nagasaki for Shanghai where she is due at 3 a.m., 15th inst.

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TELEGRAMS.

(Russia.)

Russia and Manchuria.

LONDON, 10th May.

Reuter's Agency at Peking wires that the official who sent the news of the occupation of the forts at the mouth of the Liaou river, telegraphs that the occupation was temporary and that the Russians have again withdrawn.

The Transvaal Loan.

The Transvaal loan list is closed. Subscriptions amounted to between £1,200,000,000 and £1,500,000,000.

Result of the Jubilee Stakes.

1. Vipsilante.
2. Duke of Westminster.
3. Hazafi.

The Near East.

The Porte being desirous of averting a conflict with Bulgaria has modified the terms of the note of the 6th May.

Muslims have attacked the Christians at Monastir and killed a number of them.

LATER.

The United States and Russia.

Mr. Hay is convinced that joint action against Russia is unnecessary and that the United States will observe an attitude of observance.

The Outrages in Salonika.

The Porte has requested the withdrawal of foreign warships from Salonika, because the population might misinterpret their presence.

(N. C. D. News.)

The Wicket Question.

LONDON, 7th May.

The Marylebone Cricket Club has rejected the proposal of a wicket.

The Evacuation of Manchuria.

TOKIO, 7th May.

The National Unionists have telegraphed in the name of Prince Konoye to T. E. Viceroy, Yuan Shikai and Chang Chih-ling, advising them to open of Manchuria. They also advise the grant of a concession, for a railway from Wiju in Corea to Newchwang, to an Anglo-Japanese-American syndicate.

Telegrams continue to reach Japan announcing the absence of all steps to evacuate Manchuria.

The Chinese female students of Tokio have formed themselves into an association to learn military drill.

A Wooden-Cased Rifle.

LONDON via Bombay, 8th May.

The American Army Board has selected a new rifle the barrel of which is entirely cased with wood. It is four inches shorter and a pound lighter than the present one.

DEATH FROM PLAGUE ON THE "ALBION."

The British first-class battleship, Albion, had to leave Yokohama unexpectedly for Weihaiwei. She went there to land Rear-Admiral Grenfell for the purpose of undergoing a course of treatment at the naval hospital, but a Chinese servant on board died of plague on the 1st inst., and it was therefore impossible for anyone, even the Admiral, to land without first going through some days' quarantine. Under the circumstances it was considered the best plan to leave at once for Weihaiwei.

THE P. & O. "VALETTA" COLLISION.

Further details of the recent collision at Singapore, mentioned by us on Saturday, are to hand. The Straits Times of the 4th inst. says:—There was great excitement over a couple of collisions at Tanjong Pagar yesterday and the damage done by the P. & O. s.s. Valletta in attempting conclusions with the Norddeutscher Lloyd s.s. Tanglin and the British India s.s. Zamania. The latter was lying at her usual wharf, bows to the westward, while just ahead of her lay the Tanglin, in the entrance way to the Albert Dock, her stern projecting somewhat outward. The Valletta, with the mails for Hongkong and the north, and under charge of Pilot Hauswell, was coming up near the most westerly of the two stone beacons. It is said that she was trying to avoid a tongkang on her starboard side, and in so doing crashed against the stern of the Tanglin, smashing it up badly and shifting the deckhouse which forms the second class accommodation about a couple of feet towards the starboard side as well as doing other damage. Passing onwards she went against the bows of the Zamania, snapping the latter's bowsprit and decapitating the gorgeous lady who formed the figurehead, besides carrying away a lot of minor gear. As was to be anticipated she did not herself come off scatheless. Her port side lifeboats, davits, stanchions, deck-rails, etc., were swept along and went overboard in a glorious jumble whilst she took charge of a projecting anchor fluke belonging to the Zamania and with it about eighty fathoms of chain cable which had to be cut away, to prevent the B.I. boat from parting her lines. The damage done to the Valletta was not sufficient to preclude her continuing her voyage, which she did after a brief delay. The surveyor's estimate of the cost of the repairs to the Tanglin is \$25,000 and it is thought that she will be delayed for at least three weeks.

THE KWANGSI TROUBLES SUPPRESSED.

According to official telegraphic advice received at Shanghai the Governor of Kwangsi, Wang Chih-chun, reports once again that the rebellion in that province has been suppressed.

SERIOUS CLAN FIGHT

ON THE CANTON RIVER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, 12th May.

Considerable excitement prevailed on Honam Island last evening in consequence of the booming of big guns and the cracking of rifles which continued without interruption for several hours. On inquiry being made it was ascertained that a fierce clan fight was raging between villagers from Po Ki Chuen and Shik Sau Chuen, close to the Macao Forts and the European burial ground. The combatants were using rifles and large muzzle loading guns, and although the forts were occupied by native soldiers they did not take steps to quell the disturbance. There were large numbers of killed and wounded, and unless some very decided action is taken these clan fights will prove a menace to shipping. In the present instance several ocean steamers were moored in the Back Reach close to the scene of the fight and shots frequently found their way across the water.

THE NEW VICEROY.

PREPARATION FOR A WELCOME.

From a private letter received from Canton, we learn that the gentry are making great preparations in view of the approaching arrival of the new Viceroy for the Two Kwangs, H. E. Sun Tehun Huen. A large meeting was held at the Kwang Ngar School last evening, and it was resolved that a Committee be formed to carry out the necessary arrangements. The programme decided upon is as follows:—On the day the Viceroy arrives there will be cessation of work, and a general holiday. The various shops and guilds are to present the Viceroy with addresses of welcome. In the evening a torchlight and fish lantern procession will take place, with general illuminations and the firing of crackers in all parts of the city. These arrangements have nothing to do with the official programme.

THE GOLD STANDARD IN SIAM.

The gold standard in Siam does not seem to be giving that satisfaction all round as was at first anticipated, because of the want of a permanent fixity of exchange in the market. Referring to our article on the currency of Siam in a recent issue, says the Siam Free Press of the 27th ult., a local business man writes: "I have read your remarks re the 'Gold Standard' and beg to remark that it is an error to state that the selling rate is Tcs. 18½; because it is in fact Tcs. 10½ for the £. The Treasury only is buying for Tcs. 18½ to the £ sterling. But, of course, people will not be ready to sell the £ for Tcs. 18½, as they get Tcs. 10½ from the local Banks. Therefore, where is the fixity of Exchange? Even if some one wants to buy sovereigns, the Treasury is not able to sell the £ for Tcs. 18½! Our esteemed correspondent's letter embodies a great deal, but as we have pointed out, the present slump in the exchange occurs from the fact that the market is at present overflowing with silver, the foreign merchants and local Banks having enough to last for an indefinite period. In consequence of this, the selling rate from the Government point of view is not encouraging as the demand on the Mint is likely to be slack for some time, unless some unforeseen circumstances, such as the payment of indemnities, the building of new palaces, or the construction of water systems, or other works that would swallow up a lot of the white metal, now hoarded up, be instituted. Otherwise we shall have to wait, until the rainy season sets in, and silver flows out according as rice and teak flow in from the various provinces of the kingdom. But if there remain sufficient still, without having to draw on the Mint, then the upward tendency of the tical is likely to slow, at least, for some time yet, and a permanent fixity is not likely to be realized in the immediate future. However, we believe, that it is ultimately bound to come, as the present reaction is evidently owing to the reasons above stated. But, in any case, it may be pertinently asked if the Government is prepared to sell gold at the rate quoted? If so, we shall, doubtless, have many buyers."

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SERIOUS COLLISION IN THE INLAND SEA.

COASTING STEAMER SUNK.

The Korean steamer *Hansung* (790 tons) collided with the Japanese coasting steamer *No. 1 Hayami-maru* (121 tons) off Mitsugahama, in the Inland Sea, shortly after 11 o'clock on the night of 1st inst. The *Hayami-maru* was so badly damaged that she went down almost immediately. Of the 72 persons on board her at the time of the accident, 41 were saved, 2 were killed, and the remaining 29 are missing. The unfortunate vessel was daily employed in running between Utsunomiya and Mitsugahama. The *Hansung* was fully laden, and was on her way from Kobe to Korea, via Moji, with a general cargo.

RUSSIA'S LATEST MOVE RE MANCHURIA.

As our readers well know, aerologists are wont before an ascent to send up small trial balloons to ascertain the conditions of the upper atmosphere, and thus make a prognosis for the greater flight. We are not going to lose our head and scream over Russia's somewhat startling revelation of her hand in the game of higher politics which we published yesterday, and which Reuter wires out in another dress from London. We regard it wholly as a *balloon d'essai* to ascertain the obscure elements in the problem and if possible to 'draw' (hateful word in Tientsin) the Far-Eastern Dual Alliance and the United States. We fully believe, that if it be met by the menace of armament on the part of the former, and by the moral condemnation of the latter, we shall hear nothing more about it. If on the other hand there is indifference, or inaction or any manifestation of wobble, we shall find the matter pressed home; and within a month or two we shall see the proposals embodied in a formal Convention or Treaty.

As we pointed out a few days ago in dealing with Newchwang, the strength of the Dual Alliance is about to be tested, and great issues hang on the result of the experiment. We British folk in the Far-East are practically unanimous on the subject, and if our views were to determine British policy the latter would be reduced to the greatest simplicity,—"Russia must withdraw or fight." We are, we admit, too close up to the whole position to see it in just perspective, and most of us lack that quality of detachment so necessary in a world-empire like ours, where as vast pumber and variety of divergent interests have to be considered and taken into the account. We see but one factor which in all probability should not be the determinant one.

The question which the statesman of the Dual Alliance and the United States have now to face is practically this:—"Is Manchuria worth fighting for?" We imagine the answer is something like the following:—"For its present trade, mines, and manufactures." No, for its potential and contingent possibilities in these respects. "Yes, Japan has another and still more urgent consideration in the answer she must give, the strategic advantage which will accrue from the Russian advance to the Great Wall; and most emphatically this consideration ought in all reason to make her resist to check the impending move." In addition, to the logic of the actual question, in hand, there is also the great consideration of the prospect of success in interference by force. We confess to inability to form a sound opinion on such a matter, but certain facts are notorious and the recapitulation of them may be useful.

The Russian military and naval services are generally believed to be corrupt in their financial aspects, and corruption always means inefficiency in the day of trial. Recent revelations have shown that the fiscal and domestic conditions in Russia are not such that she will willingly enter into a struggle with the wealthiest European Power, especially if there be even a remote chance of America coming in with her inexhaustible resources. M. de Witte may be confident, stands strongly for peace. The Siberian Railway, although a powerful adjunct to Russia in a land struggle is not yet so complete that it means she can bring her whole military strength to bear in the Far East. In the present remarkable equipoise of naval strength a war would at first be largely naval, and though the combined fleets of the Allies are undoubtedly the stronger, unity of plan and homogeneity would be on the other side.

The unknown element of the problem is the attitude of other Powers. There has clearly been a tendency of late to shift the centre of gravity of European politics, and the prompt declaration of German indifference to Manchuria is not without possible significance. It is of course quite conceivable that the appearance of the Russian scheme at this moment has some connection with German anxiety as to isolation in European politics. Berlin is well skilled in these occult moves.

Whatever happens it is just as well that the proposed Convention has been made public. Russian diplomacy has ever been frankly unscrupulous, so much so that it is our own fault if we are taken off our guard. Her constant variation between word and act has created a mistrust which tends to check the success of her machinations. Nearly half a century ago a great English pro-consul wrote "China has long been impotent and Russia has within the last few years by force or diplomacy appropriated half the province of Manchuria, the ancient patrimony of the reigning dynasty, and with it the command of the Amur." If this great Leviathan has not swallowed the whole Chinese empire, it can only be that there are limits imposed by nature to the power of degeneration and digestion of the largest predatory animal yet discovered. A year before this was written, Gladstone in the House of Commons described Russia as "a power which tends to override all the rest," and her latest move but discloses the fact that in half a century she has in no way altered her aims or her procedure. P. & T. Times.

SERIOUS COLLISION IN THE INLAND SEA.

COASTING STEAMER SUNK.

The Korean steamer *Hansung* (790 tons) collided with the Japanese coasting steamer *No. 1 Hayami-maru* (121 tons) off Mitsugahama, in the Inland Sea, shortly after 11 o'clock on the night of 1st inst. The *Hayami-maru* was so badly damaged that she went down almost immediately. Of the 72 persons on board her at the time of the accident, 41 were saved, 2 were killed, and the remaining 29 are missing. The unfortunate vessel was daily employed in running between Utsunomiya and Mitsugahama. The *Hansung* was fully laden, and was on her way from Kobe to Korea, via Moji, with a general cargo.

STRANDING OF THE "GAISEN-MARU."

A telegram is said to have been received by the Japanese authorities to the effect that the Japanese steamer *Gaisen-maru*, which left Otaru on April 27th for Vladivostok, stranded at a distance of several miles to the east of the Pallot light-house at 9 p.m. on the following day. A Russian warship has proceeded to the scene of the accident to assist in refloating the vessel.

SMART RESCUE

FROM GERMAN MAIL.

As the North German Lloyd s.s. *Kiatschou* was on her way down to Singapore from Hongkong on the evening of the 1st inst. one of the second-class passengers, who had apparently suddenly gone insane, jumped overboard. On the alarm being given, the engines were reversed and a boat lowered and within twenty minutes she had picked up the man and got back alongside the ship again. The other passengers are loud in their praise of the smartness with which the rescue was accomplished, and a naval officer amongst them says that it could hardly have been excelled even on board a man-of-war.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

A slightly better tone in the market prevails though to no appreciable extent. With more reassuring news concerning the political situation in the North, buyers have been found for Banks at \$670, at which small business is reported. HONGKONG FIRES can be placed without difficulty at \$370. INDO-CHINA, in spite of a rumour of a proposed dividend of 100 s. share, have been forced down, and the quotation stands at \$105 sellers. CHINA SUGAR cash shares are wanted at rates at which holders refuse to part, but a "bear" influence seeks to offer this stock for forward delivery at the equivalent of \$108. STAR FERRIES, old, are weaker with sellers at \$27.50. IN HONGKONG ESTATES transactions have taken place at \$12.25. HOTELS have declined, business has been done at private rates, but the quotation stands at \$7.45.

LANGKATS.

The Director of the Maatschappij Tot Mijner Bosch-en Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat, N. D., have declared a third interim dividend of Tls. 7.50 per share and a special bonus of Tls. 2.50 per share, payable on Monday, 15th June.

THE RICE TRADE.

Paddy boats are beginning to arrive in Bangkok again in somewhat larger number. But there can be no marked improvement in the exports till the rains have set in, increasing the water in the klongs, and at the same time giving the people confidence in the new season. Opinions vary as to how much paddy, available for export there is still up-country.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer 1/8 1/4
Bank Bills, on demand 1/8 3/16
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/8 1/2
D'cents 4 months' sight 1/8 1/2
ON BERLIN, (demand) M. 1.72 1/2
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand 2.11 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight 2.15 1/2
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand 41
Credits, 30 days' sight 41 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer 12 1/2
On demand 12 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer 7 1/2
Private 30 days' sight nom.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T. 82 1/2
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate 11.76
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael nom.
Bar Silver 134 1/2 1/2

OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—
Per che-
MALWA NEW @ \$ 920.
" LAST YEAR @ 960/980
" OLDEST @ 1,010/1,030
PATNA NEW @ 1,002
BENARES NEW @ 997
PERSIAN (PAPER) Nominal

TO-DAY'S Advertisements.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS-POSTES FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

As a "OCEANIC," will be despatched for the above Ports on about SATURDAY, the 16th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

AGENTS, G. DE CHAMPEAUX.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1903.

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To-day's Advertisements.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF

HONGKONG, No. 1, 165.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held at the FREE-MASONS' HALL, Zeland Street, on SATURDAY, the 16th inst., at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 12th May, 1903. [5750]

FOR KOBE, NAGASAKI AND VLADIVOSTOCK.

Calling at GENSAN.

THE N.D.L. Steamship

Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL AND FOR CONTINENT.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUK
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 14th May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 25th May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 1st June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"YANGTZE"	On 4th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	On 9th June.

S.S. "AJAX" from Glasgow and Liverpool has arrived and leaves for Japan to-morrow.
S.S. "ALCINOUS" left Singapore 9th inst. and is due here 14th inst. p.m.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
*LIVERPOOL via GENOA	"AGAMEMNON"	On 17th May.
LONDON	"PATROCLOS"	On 25th May.
LONDON	"CALCHAS"	On 4th June.
*LIVERPOOL via GENOA	"HYSON"	On 12th June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"ALCINOUS"	On 23rd June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"ANTENOR"	On 7th July.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"AJAX"	On 13th May.

S.S. "ACHILLES" from Seattle and Tacoma left Moji at daylight on the 9th inst. and is expected here 13th inst.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"HUNAN"	13th May.
SHANGHAI	"KANSU"	13th "
KOBE	"CHANGHAI"	14th "
CEBU and ILOILO	"CHANGHAI"	14th "
SAMARANG and SOERABAYA	"CHANGHAI"	14th "
MANILA	"CHANGHAI"	14th "
THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRIS- BANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHANGHAI"	14th "

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled table. A duly qualified Surgeon on board.

1 Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
2 Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian Ports.

N.B.—REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1903.

Hongkong-Manila.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers
between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric
Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon carried.—All the most up-to-
date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAYIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	Saturday, 16th May, at 10 A.M.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA (DIRECT)	Saturday, 23rd May, at 10 A.M.
PERLA	1980	J. McGinty		

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1903.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, INLAND SEA OF
JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,

FOR
PORTLAND OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	To Sail
"INDRAPURA"	2,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	May 22, 1903.
"INDRASAMHA"	2,897	R. P. Craven	June 14, "
"INDRAVELLI"	2,899	W. E. Craven	July 14, "

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Destinations.	Steamers.	Captains.	Sailing Dates.
FOR ANPING	"MAIDZURU MARU"	T. Sato	WEDNESDAY, 13th May.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Gross	SUNDAY, 17th May.
FOR FOCHOW	"ANPING MARU"	J. Goto	WEDNESDAY, 20th May.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIJIN MARU"	T. Ogata	SUNDAY, 24th May.

* VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

The Company's new steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for first class passengers and a duly qualified doctor is carried.

All steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mail, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered in the highest class as Pilots.

Steamers will go alongside the Co.'s Wharves at the Customs' water-front premises at Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo.

By the Co.'s steamers from Shanghai through Bills of Lading issued for Cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA's steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co.'s Local Branch Office, at No. 2, Des Voeux Road Central.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1903.

Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

HONGKONG-MANILA,
REDUCED SALOON PAS-
SAGE MONEY.

SINGLE, \$25. RETURN, \$40.

STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric Light, First Class Accommodation. Unrivalled Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1903.

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE Splendid New Steel Twin Screw Steamer

"KWONG CHOW,"

1,474 Tons, Captain Walker, leaves HONGKONG for CANTON at 5:30 P.M. on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, returning to Hongkong the following days leaving CANTON at 5 P.M. Unexcelled Accommodation for First Class Passengers. Ship lighted throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare, \$4 Single Journey. Meals \$1 each.

The Company's Wharf is West of the Hongkong Harbour Master's Office.

SHU ON S.S. CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1903.

WING ON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

THE Steamship

"CHU KONG,"

Departures from HONGKONG to MACAO, Daily, at 7:30 A.M. SUNDAY including.

Departures from MACAO to HONGKONG, Daily, at 2 P.M. SUNDAY including.

This Steamer is the fastest and has Superior Cabin Accommodation.

FARES:

1st Class.....\$1.50

2nd ".....70c

3rd ".....30c

Further Particulars may be obtained at the Office of the

WING ON STEAMSHIP CO.,

No. 42, Bonham Strand West.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1903.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LOONGSANG,"

Captain G. S. Weigall, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 14th inst. at 4 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First Class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1903.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL

(With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1903.

"SAGAMI".....25th May.

"CHARLES TIBERGHEN".....15th June.

"MACDUFF".....10th July.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,

Agents.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1903.

Intimations.

WING HING,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

DEALER IN

PORCELAIN AND BATHEN

WARES.

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION AT

MODERATE PRICE.

No. 79, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

(Established in 1885.)

Hongkong, 4th May, 1903.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORITY OF THE ITALIAN CONVENT, CAPE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Children's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing (Lingerie, Drawers, and all kinds of Embroidery) Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiority will also be most grateful for any PAPERS, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 12nd April, 1899.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports, on THURSDAY, the 14th instant, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1903.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LAISANG,"

Captain Courtney, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 14th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1903.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"MORAVIA,"

Captain Gillhuber, will leave for the above places on MONDAY, the 18th instant, P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SANDER, WELER & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1903.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(With liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

THE "Shire" Line

S.S. "PEMBROKESHIRE"

will be despatched on or about MONDAY, the 18th instant.

The American Asiatic S.S. Co.'s

"NORMAN ISLES,"

will be despatched on or about MONDAY, the 15th June.

For Freight, &c., apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1903.

AMERICAN AND ORIENTAL TRANSPORT LINE.

STEAM FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"HEATHFORD,"

will be despatched on or about 25th May.

For Freight, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,

General Eastern Agents

for China.

Hongkong, 29th April, 1903.

Intimations.

A WONDERFUL DISCOVERY.

This is the age of research and experiment, when all nature, in its secrets, is being unlocked, and the hidden forces of the universe are being brought to light.

Discoveries in medicine come from the study of the human body, and among the most important of these is the discovery of the human mind.

This preparation is unquestionably one of the most genuine and reliable of the modern era, and it is the only one that has been the subject of a search of some of the most genuine and reliable of the modern era.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

1, ICE HOUSE ROAD,
HONGKONG.

CABLE ADDRESS.—Telegraph, Hongkong.

THE leading English Newspaper in China

* Also widely circulated in Japan, Ceylon, China, Ceylon, India and the Far East generally.

A daily newspaper with weekly edition published for despatch by the homeward mail

The daily is recommended as more generally suitable, except for subscribers in Europe or America.

A special feature is made of full and accurate reports of local occurrences, and of matters of general interest.

ADVERTISING DEPARTMENT.

The Hongkong Telegraph is the best medium for advertising in China. It circulates largely among all classes of the community, is the largest daily newspaper and has a wider circulation than any journal in the Far East.

Special attention given to effectively displaying advertisements.

The type used as a standard for setting advertisements is similar to this, unless we are instructed to display the advertisement, when any effective style of type will be adopted.

This standard runs exactly eight lines to the inch, and about eight words to the line.

ADVERTISEMENT RATES.

(per inch.)

One week.....\$ 2.85

One month.....7.20

Two months.....13.00

Three ".....20.00

Six ".....37.50

Twelve ".....73.00

No charge less than one dollar.

Discount allowed on—

3 Months Contracts..... 5 per cent.

6 ".....10 "

12 ".....25 "

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

Notices of Births, Deaths, and Marriages

\$1 each insertion in the Daily and Weekly.

CONTRACT ADVERTISEMENTS.

Special Rates for standing advertisements can be ascertained from the Manager.

Advertisements for the Daily should reach the Hongkong Telegraph Office not later than noon of the day they are intended to appear.

Unless otherwise specified all advertisements will be repeated and charged for until countermanded.

JOBING DEPARTMENT.

Job Printing of all descriptions undertaken.

PROGRAMMES.

PAMPHLETS.

CARDS.

CIRCULARS.

EXPRESS.

All job printing is done under European supervision, well turned out, free from errors, and remarkably cheap at

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

OFFICE.

Estimates given for all classes of work on application to

THE MANAGER,

HONGKONG TELEGRAPH CO., LD.

1, Ice House Road,

Hongkong.

Intimation.

NOTICE.

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THE SHARE MARKET

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Stocks.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.		TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation ...	\$ 125	Div. of £1.10/- and bonus of 10/- @ 1/7 = \$25.26 for half-year ending 31/12/1902		\$670
National Bank of China, Ltd.	£ 8	3/14 on A. shares for 1902		\$26 b.
Do. Founders	£ 1	11/96 on B. shares for 1902		\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Union In. Society of C'lon, Ltd.	\$ 100	60 per cent = \$30 per share for 1901		\$350 a.
China Traders' In. Co. Ltd.	\$ 25	16 % = 5/- for year ended 30/4/1902		\$80 b.
North China In. Co. Ltd.	£ 23	Interim of £1 for 1902		£12. 200 ex d.
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.	\$ 60	26 % = \$15 for 1901		\$128 b.
Canton In. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	28 % = \$14 per share for 1901		\$167 1/2
FIRE INSURANCES.				
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$224 per share for 1901		\$310 b.
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	36 per share for 1901		\$83 sa.

A DRUM indicates a typhoon to the Eastward of the Colony, (i.e. in the East quadrant, N.E. to S.E.)

A BALL indicates a typhoon to the Westward of the Colony, (*i.e.*, in the West quadrant, S.W. to N.W.)

A CONE Point Upwards indicates a typhoon to the Northward of the Colony, (*i.e.*, in the North quadrant, N.W. to N.E.)

A CONE Point Downwards indicates a ty-

(i.e., in the South quadrant, S.E. to S.W).

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

Two lanterns hoisted vertically indicate bad weather in the Colony and that the wind is expected to veer.

Two lanterns hoisted horizontally indicate bad weather in the Colony and that the wind is expected to back.

The signals are repeated on the flagstaff of the Godown Company at Kowloon, and also, by day only, at the Harbour Office and on H.M.'s Receiving Ship.

LOCAL STORM-WARNINGS.

The Colony itself is warned of approaching typhoons by means of the *Typhoon Gun* placed at the foot of the mast, which is fired whenever a strong gale of wind is expected to blow here.

Notice boards are placed at:—
 Joint Cable Companies' Office.
 Ferry Company's Pier, Ice House Street.
 Blake Pier.
 Post Office.
 Harbour Office.
 Office of the Wharf & Godown Company,
 Kowloon.

WEATHER-FORCASTS and STORM-
 WARNINGS are exhibited on the above boards
 daily about 11 a.m., and also at other hours,
 day or night, whenever necessary. Informa-
 tion of importance is also issued by "Express."

THE CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL
 REGISTER is exhibited at the same places daily
 about noon. It contains observations made at
 Hongkong and at a number of stations in the
 Far East, together with *Remarks, Weather-
 forecasts, and information regarding the exist-
 ence and movements of typhoons* based thereon.

THE LAW OF STORMS.

Further information concerning the weather
 to be expected while signals are hoisted, and
 sailing directions, are given in "The Law of
 Storms."

(rath May.)					
Alacrity ...	despatch	Kinkiang	Myline	sloop	Singapore
*Albino...	battleship	Weihaiwei	Ocean	battleship	Hongkong
Algerine...	sloop	Hongkong	Otter	destroyer	Shanghai
Amphitrite	cruiser...	en route to Y'ma	Phoenix	sloop	Hongkong
Argonaut...	cruiser...	Yokohama	Rambler	survey	Hongkong
Blenheim	cruiser...	Japan	Rinaldo	sloop	Weihaiwei
Bramble...	gunboat	Weihaiwei	Rover	r. g.-b.	Wuchow
Breakfast	gunboat	Weihaiwei	Rosario	sloop	Hongkong
Cress...	cruiser	Japan	Sandpiper	r. river g.-b.	Hongkong
Chernub	tug & water	Hongkong	Scipe	r. river g.-b.	Yangtze
Eclipse...	cruiser	Japan	Spartiate	cruiser	Hongkong
Esperiole...	sloop	Hankow	Taku	destroyer	Hongkong
Europa...	cruiser	Hongkong	Talbot	cruiser	Shanghai
Fame...	destroyer	Hongkong	Tamar	receiving	Hongkong
Fearless...	cruiser	Shanghai	Teal...	r. river g.-b.	Hongkong
*Glo'ry...	battleship	Shanghai	Teal...	cruiser	Yangtze
Grass...	battleship	Weihaiwei	Tweed	coast g.-b.	Yangtze
Handy...	destroyer	Shanghai	Vestal	sloop	Japan
Hart...	destroyer	Hongkong	Waterwitch	survey	Hongkong
Humber...	store	Weihaiwei	Whiting	destroyer	Hongkong
Janus...	destroyer	Shanghai	Woodcock	r. river g.-b.	Yangtze
Kinsha...	r. river g.-b.	Yangtze	Woodlark	r. river g.-b.	Yangtze
Moomin...	r. river g.-b.	Hongkong			

*Flag of Vice-Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge. **Flag of Rear-Admiral Harry T. Greenhill.

High Class
Gentlemen's
Outfitters.

EVERYTHING
UP TO DATE.
28, Queen's Road.

WILLIAM POWELL, LTD.,



28 & 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
HONGKONG.

General Drapers, Dressmakers, Milliners, Hosiers,
Haberdashers and General Outfitters.

High Class
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FAMED FOR
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28, Queen's Road.

HIGH CLASS DRESSMAKING
IN ALL ITS BRANCHES.

EVERYTHING
FOR

Ladies' and Children's wear.

34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

GENTS' HOSIERY

AND OUTFITTING A SPECIALTY.

28, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

May 6th.

R. G. HECKFORD,
MANAGER.